

Mapping of surface water by ISRO

2168. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka Government has requested the ISRO to map surface water in the State to get the idea of the total surface water available for further exploitation; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the ISRO in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, the Karnataka State Remote Sensing Centre, in consultation with ISRO, has made a proposal for mapping the surface water bodies in Karnataka and submitted the proposal to the State Government (Minor Irrigation Department) for necessary funding for carrying out remote sensing based studies.

National Statistics Commission

2169. SHRI VED PRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of **STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION** be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of National Statistics Commission's programme to generate timely and reliable statistics for policy formulation and effective planning and implementation;

(b) if so, the details regarding members, tenure, functions, allocation of works to different members etc.;

(c) whether the statistical data would be available to public on request or on website; and